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1. CURRENT DOE GUIDELINES UNDERSTANDING WITH UKOOA PROVIDES FOR ORGANIZED SURVEILLANCE OVER ALL MAJOR COMMERCIAL PROCUREMENT OF OPERATORS FOR UK OFFSHORE OIL EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT.

2. BUY AMERICAN ACT IS LIMITED TO GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT AND HAS NO PERTINENCE TO COMMERCIAL PROCUREMENT. ALMOST ALL COUNTRIES TO GREATER OR LESS DEGREE DIRECT GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT TO DOMESTIC SOURCES WHERE POSSIBLE, THOUGH MOST DO NOT, LIKE US, DO SO UNDER PUBLISHED RULES.

3. JONES ACT OF 1920 LIMITS COASTAL TRANSPORT, INCLUDING TOWAGE, TO VESSELS BUILT, OWNED AND REGISTERED IN US. ACT APPLIES TO TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM OIL RIGS AND TOWING RIES FROM US TO OFFSHORE POSITION, BUT DOES NOT APPLY TO RIGS THEMSELVES. UK HAS NO SIMILAR
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LIMITATIONS. HOWEVER, TRANSPORT (I.E. COVERAGE OF JONES

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ACT) IS MINUTE PERCENTAGE OF OFFSHORE OIL DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURES AS PUBLISHED BY DOE.

4. UNDER MINERAL LEASING ACT OF 1920 FOREIGN-CONTROLLED ENTERPRISES MAY ACQUIRE LEASES OR INTERESTS IN OIL OR PIPELINES ON OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF OR, PROVIDED ITS HOME COUNTRY ERANTS RECIPROCAL RIGHTS, ELSEWHERE IN US. THERE IS NO PROVISION FOR DISCRIMINATION AGAINST FOREIGN COMPANIES IN LEASING.

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